The Wiseman Baptist. Association

TENNESSEE

FORTY-SIXTH ANNUAL SESSION, OCTOBER 20, 21, 22, 1937

HELD WITH

New Harmony Baptist Church Six Miles Southwest of Lafayette, Tennessee

Next Session will be held with New Bethel Baptist Church, three miles south of Goodlettsville, Tenn., beginning Wednesday after the third Sunday in October, 1938, at 10:00 a.m.

OFFICERS

ELD. N. C. FUQUA, Moderator Lafayette, Tenn.
ELD. A. J. SLOAN, Clerk Lafayette, Tenn.
T. C. HARRISON, Treasurer Westmoreland, Tenn.

Introductory Sermon By ELDER F. W. LAMBERT

COVENANT

Having been, as we trust, brought by divine grace to embrace the Lord Jesus Christ, and to give ourselves wholly to Him, we do now solemnly and joyfully covenant with each other, TO WALK TOGETHER IN HIM, WITH BROTHERLY LOVE, to His glory, as our common Lord. We do, therefore, in His strength, engage—

That we will exercise a Christian care and watchfulness over each other, and faithfully warn, exhort, and admonish each other as occasion may require:

That we will not forsake the assembling of ourselves together, but will uphold the public worship of God, and the ordinances of His house:

That we will not omit closet and family religion at home, nor neglect the great duty of religiously training our children, and those under our care, for the service of Christ, and the enjoyment of heaven:

That, as we are the light of the world, and the salt of the earth, we will seek divine aid to enable us to deny ungodliness, and every worldly lust, and to walk circumspectly in the world, that we may win the souls of men:

That we will cheerfully contribute of our property, according as God has prospered us, for the maintenance of a faithful and evangelical ministry among us, for the support of the poor, and to spread the Gospel over the earth:

That we will in all conditions, even till death, strive to live to the glory of Him who hath called us out of darkness into His marvelous light.

"AND MAY THE GOD OF PEACE, WHO BROUGHT AGAIN FROM THE DEAD OUR LORD JESUS CHRIST, THAT GREAT SHEPHERD OF THE SHEEP, THROUGH THE BLOOD OF THE EVERLASTING COVENANT, MAKE US PERFECT IN EVERY GOOD WORK, TO DO HIS WILL, WORKING IN US THAT WHICH IS WELL PLEASING IN HIS SIGHT THROUGH CHRIST JESUS; TO WHOM BE GLORY, FOREVER AND EVER, AMEN."

PROCEEDINGS

OF THE

FORTY-SIXTH ANNUAL SESSION

OF THE

Wiseman Baptist Association

HELD WITH

NEW HARMONY BAPTIST CHURCH

Six Miles Southwest of Lafayette, Tennessee

FIRST DAY

WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 20, 1937

The Wiseman Baptist Association met in its forty-sixth annual session with the church at New Harmony, six miles southwest of Lafayette, Tennessee, at ten o'clock a. m. on this date. The services were opened with singing "Sweet Bye and Bye" and "When The Roll Is Called." After some remarks by the Moderator, Elder N. C. Fuqua, prayer was offered by Elder H. A. Russell, followed with singing "The Home Over There." The Moderator read as a lesson the 23rd Psalm, followed with prayer by Elder A. J. Sloan. "Glory To His Name" was sung. The Moderator presented Elder R. O. Sanders, the appointee of last year, to preach the Introductory Sermon. Brother Sanders read as a lesson 1st John 1:1-5. He chose for a text 1st John 2:19 and preached an able sermon in which he showed that those departing from the faith were never in the faith in truth and reality. During the sermon there were many amens in the congregation which showed that the brethren were edified and built up in the faith. At the close the congregation sang and pressed forward to give their hand to the speaker in token of their endorsement of the discourse while shouts of joy were heard.

After some announcements the Association adjourned one hour for dinner. Dismissed with prayer by Elder William Russell.

WEDNESDAY AFTERNOON

After a fine dinner the Association came together with singing. Prayer was offered by Elder P. H. Brooks, after which "Glory To His Name" was sung.

The letters from the various churches were called for and the Moderator appointed Elders Calvin Gregory and Henry A. Russell as Reading Clerks. The following churches and their messengers were enrolled:

BRATTONTOWN-Emmitt Smith, W. T. Gross, V. C.

Harris.

Jent.

BUFFALO SPRINGS—I. N. Sloan, Vernon Thompson, R. O. Harris.

CEDAR BLUFF-Robert Gulley, Homer White, Luther White.

FAIRVIEW-Oakley Cook, F. W. Ford.

FIFTH STREET—Letter.

FRIENDSHIP—C. J. Gammon, C. F. Green, J. L. Gam-

GOOD WILL—J. A. Linville, G. G. Taylor, Tom Bailey. HAYSVILLE—Aubrey Lawrence, U. G. White.

LAFAYETTE-Geo. W. Johnson.

LONG CREEK-N. C. Fuqua, W. O. Johnson, Ellis Jones.

MACEDONIA—Not represented.

MAPLE GROVE-M. C. Howard.

MAYSVILLE-George H. Taylor, Alfred Cook.

MEADORVILLE-J. B. Cothron, John W. Cothron.

MT. ZION-E. D. Poe, R. W. Tracy, Leo White.

NEW BETHEL-F. L. Ray, F. H. Brooks.

NEW HARMONY-A. J. Sloan, W. A. Fuqua, E. A. Jones.

NEW ZION-W. R. Pedigo, G. C. West.

OLD HOPEWELL-Richard Fuller, Ed Grizzle.

PLEASANT HILL-R. W. Brown, W. W. Bowman, Luther Kirkham.

ROCK BRIDGE-Herlin Brown, E. C. Sherron.

ROCKY MOUND-Billie Meador, Charlie Alexander.

SILOAM-F. W. Lambert, R. O. Sanders, T. C. Harrison.

SPRING CREEK-G. L. Hughes, L. H. Parker, E. W.

SULPHUR FORK-Not represented.

UNION-William T. Russell.

UNION HILL-W. J. Summar.

Permanent organization was effected by electing Elder N. C. Fuqua, Moderator; Elder R. O. Sanders, Assistant Moderator; Elder A. J. Sloan, Clerk; Elder F. W. Lambert, Assistant Clerk; and T. C. Harrison, Treasurer. Speeches of thanks were made by the newly elected officers.

Petitionary letters were called for and none was offered.

The following visiting brethren were invited to seats with us:

ENON ASSOCIATION—C. B. Massey, E. C. Butler, W. C. Barton, N. M. Williams, B. O. Prowell, Dan Forkum, G. W. Jenkins, H. M. Kemp and Calvin Gregory.
WILSON COUNTY ASSOCIATION—H. A. Russell.
NASHVILLE ASSOCIATION—O. W. Taylor.

PLACE OF MEETING

The selection of our next meeting place and the preacher of the next Introductory and Doctrinal Sermons was taken up. After some discussion, New Bethel Church, near Goodlettsville, was selected to entertain our next session; and Elder F. W. Lambert was chosen to preach the next Introductory Sermon, with Elder W. T. Taylor as alternate. Elder A. J. Sloan was chosen to preach the Doctrinal Sermon next year, with Elder R. O. Sanders as alternate.

The report on Nominations was read by Elder F. W. Lambert as follows:

NOMINATIONS

- PROHIBITION—H. A. Russell, W. O. Johnson, Joe McGuffey.
- 2. RELIGIOUS LITERATURE—F. W. Lambert, Grover C. West, J. D. Cook.
- 3. BAPTIST HOME—Alfred Cook, Herlin Brown, T. C. Harrison.
- 4. MISSIONS—Calvin Gregory, W. C. Barton, Ed Grizzle.
- 5. PASTORS' SUPPORT—R. O. Sanders, A. J. Sloan, W. W. Bowman.
- 6. MINISTERIAL EDUCATION—W. T. Russell, V. C. Harris, Ezra Brockett.
- 7. SUNDAY SCHOOLS—D. A. Lauderdale, W. H. Thompson, Vernon Thompson.
- 8. PRAYER MEETINGS—W. T. Taylor, Alvin Jones, H. H. Harrison.
- 9. STATE OF RELIGION—A. J. Sloan, W. R. Pedigo, W. J. Summar.
- 10. DISTRICT MISSIONS—V. C. Harris, Walter Jenkins, N. M. Williams.
- 11. RESOLUTIONS—E. C. Butler, F. W. Ford, G. H. Taylor.
- 12. OBITUARIES—N. C. Fuqua, Joe McGuffey, E. C. Sherron.

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- 13. CORRESPONDENCE—Chas. F. Green, R. W. Tracy, G. L. Hughes.
 - 14. TREASURER'S REPORT-T. C. Harrison.
 - 15. FINANCE-Oakley Cook, J. D. Cook, E. D. Poe.

The report on Nominations was adopted after discussion by R. O. Sanders.

Moved to adjourn to meet at nine thirty o'clock on the morrow. Dismissed with prayer by Elder E. C. Butler.

SECOND DAY

THURSDAY, OCT. 21, 1937

The Association came together with singing "Amazing Grace," with prayer by Elder W. W. Bowman. "What a Friend" was sung.

The roll of members was read by the Clerk and the minutes of yesterday were read and adopted. The clerk also read the Rules of Decorum after which the regular order of business was taken up.

The following visiting brethren were recognized:

ENON ASSOCIATION—J. W. Marsh, I. P. McDonald, R. W. Donoho, W. F. Jenkins and W. C. Smith.

The report on Religious Literature was read by Elder F. W. Lambert as follows:

RELIGIOUS LITERATURE

Religious literature is one of the important things with which we are confronted today, for what a man reads has much to do with directing his life. The Bible is a book or standard by which all human conduct or creeds should be tried. Any literature that does not meet the approval of the teachings of the Bible should be cast aside. We, therefore, recommend that our people read and encourage others to read all sound Baptist literature, such as the Orthodox Baptist Searchlight, Forerunner and American Baptist, as well as all sound Baptist histories. We warn our people not to buy unsound books from cheap dispensers of heresies. The Bible says: "Buy the truth and sell it not." Respectfully submitted.

F. W. LAMBERT,

J. D. COOK, Committee.

Adopted after discussion by F. W. Lambert and Alfred Cook.

The report on Prohibition was read by Elder Henry A. Russell as follows:

PROHIBITION

The wisest of all men said: "Wine is a mocker, strong drink is raging and whosoever is deceived thereby is not wise," and that strong drink "at the last biteth like a serpent and stingeth like an adder." Paul reasoned of Righteousness, Temperance and of Judgment to come before Felix who said: "Go thy way," and etc. No drunkard is given a place in the kingdom of heaven, so why use this ruinous stuff which wrecks the body and ruins the home and at last damns the soul? Let all strong drink alone is the best way to avoid this awful curse.

We rejoice in the recent dry victory in Tennessee. The wets lost two to one and not a wet had the face to go before the public to praise rum or to advocate its cause, while God's people went over the State speaking against this curse. The devil and his gang ever fear the wrath of God's people, whether in the churches or at the polls. We thank God and take courage. Respectfully submitted.

H. A. RUSSELL, W. O. JOHNSON, JOE McGUFFEY, Committee.

Adopted after discussion by H. A. Russell, R. O. Sanders, G. W. Jenkins, Calvin Gregory and I. P. McDonald.

NOTES BY ASSISTANT CLERK

The hour having arrived for the preaching of the annual Doctrinal Sermon, the regular order of business was suspended. The congregation sang: "I Want To Be Ready," after which the Moderator presented Elder A. J. Sloan, the appointee of last year, to preach the sermon. After a few remarks, Brother Sloan read 2nd Tim. 4:1-8 and chose for a text 2nd Cor. 4:13 and preached a great sermon on the "Church That Jesus Built," showing that Baptist churches of today and the doctrine to which they hold are in line with the word of God. During the discourse many hearty amens were heard and our brethren were much strengthened in the faith. At the close of the discourse the congregation sang: "Amazing Grace," "I Have a Saviour Who Stands By My Side," "This World Is Not My Home" and "The Country Where People Don't Die," amid the shouts of joy of

God's happy people while the hand of fellowship and endorsement was given Brother Sloan.

Moved to adjourn one hour for dinner. Dismissed with prayer by Elder I. N. Sloan.

AFTERNOON SESSION

After another fine dinner the Association came together with singing. Prayer was offered by Elder F. W. Lambert, after which the following visiting brethren were seated:

ENON ASSOCIATION—Gilliam Porter, J. A. Gregory, J. B. Gregory, Earl Blankenship, H. G. Copas and C. C. Driver.

SOUTHWESTERN DISTRICT ASSOCIATION—Elder J. Robert Paschal.

WILSON COUNTY—R. B. Piercey, W. A. Whited and J. O. Walker.

The report on Baptist Home was read by Elder Alfred Cook as follows:

BAPTIST HOME

We submit the following report: We have a home near Camden, Tennessee, for orphan children and also for old ministers that spent their lives in the cause of the Master and did not obtain enough from their labors to have a living in their old age. Also this home is for their wives or widows. It behooves all Baptist churches and Baptist ministers to get behind the home with their money and with their efforts to provide for it. We may need a place for children who are now blest with a home and who later may find themselves cast out into the world. Our Lord said: "Whosoever shall give to drink unto one of these little ones a cup of cold water only in the name of a disciple, verily I say unto you he shall in no wise lose his reward."

ALFRED COOK, HERLIN BROWN, T. C. HARRISON, Committee.

Adopted after discussion by Alfred Cook. A free-will offering of \$35.00 was taken up in a public collection at this point for the Home.

The report on Missions was read by Elder Calvin Gregory as follows:

MISSIONS

From the reports from the churches of Wiseman Asso-

ciation, we learn that little has been done for Missions in a financial way. The total given for the various mission causes is only \$48.75, which is hardly more than the weakest church in the Association ought to have given. We do not wish to make the impression that missions is a matter altogether of dollars and cents given, although it must be admitted that such a financial report is a kind of index as to the mission spirit among the churches, Missions means the spread of the Gospel of Christ and money is only a means thereto.

Ferhaps we might sum up the situation by saying that the numerous churches of this Association have been faithful to discharge their duties toward the lost of their immediate communities; but that with few exceptions, they have felt that all their obligations have thus been discharged. Such a sentiment might be right if every community of the whole world had a church like our churches. But the situation is deplorable from that viewpoint. Even in the bounds of this Association there are scores of communities without the old-fashioned Gospel. Then the fields broaden and grow wider and wider until they cover the whole world. Jesus said: "Ye shall be witnesses unto me both in Jerusalem, and in all Judea, and in Samaria, and unto the uttermost part of the earth." Acts 1:8. The first church witnessed in Jerusalem in an effective way, just as the churches of Wiseman Association have witnessed in their immediate communities. But the Jerusalem church stopped just there in its work until God moved it out by persecution and the brethren went everywhere preaching the word of the Lord. Now let not the churches of this Association be forced to go into the needy fields all around us and over the whole earth by the cruel hand of affliction and persecution, but let us go as a matter of duty and of love toward our God. carrying the message of life and salvation not only to our own people but to the lost of all the earth. Paul said: "I am debtor both to the Greeks, and to the Barbarians; to the wise and to the unwise." Rom. 1:14. If our people could only feel that they owed such a debt, our mission problems would soon be solved. But too many of our members seemingly pray like the old man who said: "O Lord, bless me and my wife; my son John, and his wife; us four and no more."

The key to the solution of mission short-comings lies in the faithful preaching of missions by all our pastors and other ministers. Our brethren are strong in the doctrine of Baptists because they have been taught it most of their lives. Our people, we believe, would be just as strong for missions and as active in supporting the Lord's needy cause over the world as they are concerning Baptist doctrine if they had had as much mission preaching as they have had doctrine preached to them. The only exception to this would be on the part of those who love money better than they love lost souls. We recommend that our pastors try preaching a missionary sermon as often as a doctrinal one for a year's time and then let us see if we have made any progress.

The world is dark with sin. The lost of the earth are groping in sin and spiritual darkness. They are on their way to destruction. Blinded and with ears that are dull. they are being carried on to everlasting ruin by the deceptive power of Satan. God could save them without their hearing the Gospel, but will He? No, for the Gospel is the power of God unto salvation. God could have the Gospel preached to them by angels or by speaking to them from the skies Himself. But will He? No, for He has made the chief work of His church the preaching of the Gospel to all the nations. Now the task is ours to tell the lost of the whole earth the old story of God's love to the children of man, of their great need of Him and of the Christ who waits to bless and save. We must not fail. Respectfully submitted. CALVIN GREGORY,

W. C. BARTON, ED GRIZZLE, Committee.

The report on Missions was adopted after discussion by Calvin Gregory, I. P. McDonald, R. O. Sanders, W. C. Barton, N. C. Fuqua, J. D. Cook, W. H. Thompson and others.

Moved to adjourn to meet at nine-thirty o'clock on tomorrow. Dismissed with prayer by Elder Calvin Gregory.

THIRD DAY

THURSDAY, OCT. 22, 1937

The Association came together with singing "I Am Going That Way," with prayer offered by Elder D. A. Lauderdale. Sang "Don't Fail To Go Through," after which the minutes of yesterday were read and approved. Elder H. C. Oldham of Enon Association was recognized as a visitor and invited to a seat.

The report on Pastors' Support was read by Elder R. O. Sanders as follows:

PASTORS' SUPPORT

Malachi 3:8 says: "Will a man rob God? Yet have ye robbed me. But ye say, 'Wherein have we robbed thee?' In tithes and offerings. Ye are cursed with a curse, for ye have robbed me, even this whole nation."

Is it true that God's people today are robbing God? Are we keeping back that which God requires at our hands to support the Gospel? Many God-called preachers have been forced to leave their fields of labor while the devil has led his hosts on. There are but few preachers today among us, if any, that can give their full time to the study and ministry of the word of God. What shall we, the churches of our Lord, do? What can the pastors do?

First, shun not to declare the whole counsel of God. Second, teach the church of the living God that everyone, not just a few but all are to give as they purpose in their hearts. 2nd Cor. 9:7. R. C. SANDERS,

A. J. SLOAN,

W. W. BOWMAN, Committee.

Adopted after being ably discussed by R. O. Sanders, N. C. Fuqua, W. H. Thompson, F. W. Lambert, Calvin Gregory, Oakley Cook, Alfred Cook, L. A. Stewart, A. J. Sloan, W. T. Taylor, W. A. Fuqua and H. C. Oldham.

The report on Sunday Schools was read by Elder D. A. Lauderdale as follows:

SUNDAY SCHOOLS

We submit the following report: We find that there are many churches in Wiseman Association that do not have any Sunday School. We need a good Sunday School in every church so our children can be taught the Bible. Timothy was instructed in the Scriptures from his childhood, which made him wise unto salvation. In Proverbs 22:6 we read: "Train up a child in the way he should go and when he is old, he will not depart from it." We recommend that no teachers except sound Baptists be allowed to teach our Sunday Schools.

D. A. LAUDERDALE,

W. H. THOMPSON,

W. V. THOMPSON, Committee.

The report was adopted after discussion by D. A. Lauderdale, W. H. Thompson, R. O. Sanders and G. W. Jenkins.

Moved to adjourn 45 minutes for dinner. Dismissed with prayer by Elder Alvin Jones.

AFTERNOON SESSION

After another fine dinner the Association came together in its last meeting of the present session. After singing, prayer was offered by Elder W. T. Taylor. At this point Elder R. M. Brawner of Enon Association was recognized and invited to a seat with us.

The report on Prayer Meetings was read by Elder W. T. Taylor as follows:

PRAYER MEETINGS

Prayer is the secret of success in the Christian life. At the end of a ten-day prayer meeting the great work at Pentecost was done. An angel delivered Peter from prison in answer to the prayers of the church. The church at Antioch prayed and God sent Paul and Barnabas as foreign missionaries.

If the churches of Christ of today carry out the great work of soul winning and carrying the Gospel to all nations, it will be through the power of the Holy Spirit and that power comes through prayer. Therefore we recommend that the churches of Wiseman Association hold weekly prayer meetings and ask God to give us the great power of the Spirit and a great revival of old-time religion in the churches of the Association.

W. T. TAYLOR,

E. A. JONES, Committee.

Adopted after discussion by W.T. Taylor, Alfred Cook and Robert Brawner.

The report on Ministerial Education was read by Elder L. A. Stewart as follows:

MUNISTERIAL EDUCATION

By ministerial education we mean knowledge obtained. And to acquire knowledge we must study. Paul commanded the minister to study, and the more we learn the better prepared we are to teach others. So every young preacher should avail himself of every opportunity to acquire an education. We do not insist that men must have a college education in order to preach, but we do believe that an education rightly used will be a blessing to the man of God and to his hearers. Education is knowledge, but let us not forget that knowledge without wisdom is detrimental to the man of God.

L.A. STEWART.

V. C. HARRIS, Committee.

Adopted without discussion.

The report on State of Religion was read by Elder A. J. Sloan as follows:

STATE OF RELIGION

We, your committee, beg to submit the following report: Our churches seem to be in a very good condition. They are holding their own and some of them have had great ingatherings while some have not done so well, but most all have made slight gains. There has been a net gain of 38 members in the Association; 119 baptisms, for which we should thank God and take courage. We will never die while we are doing this well. This year may have been the sowing time and next year the reaping time. The wise man said "cast your bread upon the waters that it may be gathered after many days." So let's go on, brethren, sowing the seed and we shall reap in due season if we don't faint. Paul said: "Be ye always abounding in the work of the Lord inasmuch as your labor in the Lord is not in vain." David said that those that went forth sowing in tears would come again with joy bringing their sheaves with them.

God said that as the rain came down from heaven and returned not, but watered the earth and made it bud and bring forth seed to the sower and bread to the eater, so shall His word be that goeth out of His mouth. It shall not return unto Him void. Again Paul says: "God is not unrighteous to forget your work and labor of love."

Prayerfully and sincerely submitted by your committee.

A. J. SLOAN.

Adopted without discussion.

The report on District Missions was read by Elder V. C. Harris as follows:

DISTRICT MISSIONS

We submit the following report: We believe this to be a great work, but it is much neglected by us as Baptists. The devil is sowing his seeds of wickedness every day. Let every Baptist be busy and pray that the Lord of the harvest will send more laborers into the fields of labor. Paul said: "If God be for us, who can be against us." God has all power. So let us take courage and do all we can for this worthy cause.

V. C. HARRIS.

G. W. JENKINS, Committee.

We, your Standing Committee, submit the following report: We have received during the past year from Lafayette church, \$2.00; from Fairview church, \$3.52 and from

Long Creek church, \$1.00. We are sorry to report that we have done nothing. We have not employed anybody to do any work because of a lack of funds.

We wish to recommend that a good sound man be employed for the next year, and that he go to all the churches and preach at least two sermons on missions and that he take a collection for same. And by the time he preaches to all the churches, we feel like he will have sufficient funds to go and hold some meetings in destitute places.

W. O. JOHNSON,

J. D. COOK.

J. A. LINVILLE, Standing Com.

Both reports were adopted after a joint discussion by V. C. Harris, W. O. Johnson, N. C. Fuqua, R. O. Sanders, A. J. Sloan, J. D. Cook and Calvin Gregory.

The report on Resolutions was read by Elder Alfred Cook as follows:

RESOLUTIONS

Whereas Wiseman Baptist Association having convened in a great session with New Harmony church; therefore, be it resolved:

- 1. That we extend to New Harmony church and community our sincere thanks for their hospitality shown us in their homes, in the church and on the grounds.
- 2. That we extend our thanks to the Moderator and the Clerk for their efficient services in the sitting of the Association.
- 3. That we make as strong a fight as possible against present-day evils and that we not only boast about our doctrine but that we show our faith by our works.
- 4. That the Clerk have 500 copies of minutes printed and that he have them distributed among the churches and that the remainder of the minute fund be paid to him for his services.

 E. C. BUTLER.

F. W. FORD,

G. H. TAYLOR, Committee.

Adopted without discussion.

The report on Obituaries was read by Elder N. C. Fuqua as follows:

OBITUARIES

We learn from the letters from the churches of the Association that 33 of our brethren and sisters have been called

away to be with Jesus since we last met. They have left this evil world and have gone away to that home that is prepared for them in glory. Although it is hard to give up these dear ones, and their going away leaves broken-hearted husbands and wives, and parents, and brothers and sisters, yet we rejoice in the thought that they are now at rest and that we shall meet them again. We read in Rev. 14:13: "Blessed are the dead which die in the Lord. From henceforth, yea, saith the Spirit, that they may rest from their labors and their works do follow them." Their places are empty and we miss them so much. Their voices are stilled and are heard no more in our Association, but we feel confident that they are at rest.

We, therefore, bow to the will of God, knowing that He doeth all things well. We extend sympathy to the bereaved in the heavy loss of fathers and mothers, companions, children and brothers and sisters. According to the promise of God, we are to meet them again in a better country. Some of the departed ones were deacons in their churches. We miss their counsel and love and friendship, yet we would not call them back to this old world of trouble and sorrow to labor and die once more. So farewell, till we meet again.

N. C. FUQUA, Committee.

Adopted after talks by A. J. Sloan, N. C. Fuqua, L. A. Stewart, J. D. Cook and T. C. Harrison.

The report on Correspondence was read by Elder N. C. Fuqua as follows:

CORRESPONDENCE

Brethren, we are more than glad to have had you with us. We feel that the Association has been a spiritual blessing to this church as well as the New Harmony community. We are unable to express our deep appreciation of the presence of the messengers and visitors from the various churches in our church and in our homes.

We ask that you visit us again, that you make our church and our homes your church and homes when in this community. May the blessings of the great Head of the Church rest upon each of you and upon your respective churches.

G. L. HUGHES,

R. W. TRACY, Committee.

The report on Correspondence was adopted after some touching remarks by W. A. Fuqua.

The report of the Treasurer was read as follows:

TREASURER'S REPORT

During the present session of Wiseman Associ	ation the
following sums have been paid into my hands:	
Foreign Missions	\$15.70
Home Missions	φ.το. 1 σ
Home Missions	3.16
Old Ministers' and Orphans' Home	44.80
District Missions	6.52
Total for all causes	\$70.27
T. C. HARRISON, Trea	surer

The report on Finance was read by Brother Oakley Cook as follows:

FINANCE

We have received from the various churches and from a collection from the messengers for the printing of Minutes and for Clerk hire the sum of \$56.55.

OAKLEY COOK, Committee.

NEW BUSINESS

New business was called for and on motion of Elder L. A. Stewart, the Clerk was ordered to have the Church Covenant printed in the Minutes.

Thus closed a great and good session of this old-time Baptist body. We feel that much good was done. Moved to adjourn to meet on Wednesday after the third Sunday in October, 1938, with the church at New Bethel, three miles south of Goodlettsville, Tenn.

N. C. FUQUA, Moderator,

Lafayette, Tennessee.

A. J. SLOAN, Clerk,

Lafayette, Tennessee.

T. C. HARRISON, Treasurer, Westmoreland, Tennessee.

RULES OF DECORUM

- 1. The Association shall be opened and closed with prayer.
- 2. A Moderator and a Clerk shall be chosen by the members present.
 - 3. Only one person shall speak at a time, who shall

arise and address the Moderator by the appellation of Bro. Moderator, and shall, while speaking, confine himself to the subject under consideration and shall not be interrupted unless he digress from the subject and shall in no wise reflect on any other speaker, so to make remarks on his slips, failings, or imperfections, but shall fairly state his views without sophistry or criticism.

- 4. No member shall absent himself from the Association without leave of the Association when assembled. Any member violating this rule shall have his name stricken from the roll of messengers or any committee on which he may have been placed.
- 5. No member shall speak more than three times on the same subject without leave of the body. The chairman on each subject shall have an opening speech of ten minutes and two other speeches of five minutes each. All other speakers shall be limited to three speeches of five minutes each.
- 6. Every motion and second shall come under the immediate consideration of the Association, unless withdrawn by the one who made it.
- 7. No member shall whisper, laugh or read any book or paper while the Association is in session.
- 8. No member shall address another by any other appellation than that of Brother.
- 9. On the second day it shall be the duty of the Clerk to read the Rules of Decorum and call the roll of members.
- 10. The Moderator shall be entitled to the same privilege of speaking as any other member, provided the chair be filled; but shall have no vote unless the Association be equally divided.
- 11. Any person violating these rules, or at any time manifesting a spirit contrary to the Gospel, shall be reproved, or such other course be taken with him as the Moderator may think proper, either at his option or the intimation of any other member.

(Clerk's Note: The Constitution, the Abstract of Principles and the Ministerial Directory are left out again this year.)

STANDING COMMITTEE

W. O. Johnson, R. 2, Westmoreland, Tenn.

J. D. Cook, R. 1, Hartsville, Tenn.

J. A. Linville, R. 1, Hartsville, Tenn.

OUR SAINTED DEAD

These pages are dedicated to the memory of our beloved brethren and sisters who have answered the last roll call since our last Association.

BRATTONTOWN—Mrs. Nancy Gregory, June 17, 1937.

CEDAR BLUFF—Miss Carrie Duffer, Dec. 13, 1936. Robert Bennett, Oct. 1, 1937.

FAIRVIEW-Robert Gammon, Aug. 29, 1937.

FIFTH STREET—One, name not given.

GOOD WILL—Mrs. Harriett Clariday, date not given.

HAYSVILLE-Deacon T. L. Hughes, July 27, 1937.

LONG CREEK—Mrs. Annie Crowder, date not given.

MAPLE GROVE—One, name not given.

MEADORVILLE—Willie Gann, Sept. 17, 1937.

MT. ZION—Mrs. Vella White Stinson, April 7, 1937. T. D. Turner, Sept. 20, 1937. Mary Sweatman, date not given. Homer Tracy, date not given.

NEW BETHEL—John E. Burklin, Nov. 6, 1936. J. M. Day, March 5, 1937.

OUR SAINTED DEAD

NEW HARMONY—C. M. Ford, Nov. 19, 1936. Mrs. Janie Frye, Jan. 1, 1937. Mrs. Ida Frye, Jan. 30, 1937. Mrs. Dorothy Norman, Sept. 3, 1937.

NEW ZION-Mrs. M. C. Pedigo, July 5, 1937.

PLEASANT HILL—Mrs. Rosie Buck, Oct. 23, 1936. Mrs. W. H. Kirkham, Nov. 23, 1936. Jane Bradley, Oct. 13, 1937.

ROCKY MOUND—Mrs. Earline Dorsey, Dec. 21, 1936.

Mrs. Emma Overton, Dec. 25, 1936. Mrs. Julia Meador, Jan. 23, 1937. Mrs. Virginia McGuffey, Feb. 20, 1937. Deacon Leonard Rich, Sept. 10, 1937.

SILOAM—Willie Summar, Nov. 1, 1937. John Ragland, July 15, 1937.

SPRING CREEK—Mrs. Ethel Parker, March 30, 1937.

UNION—Priscilla Slaughter, February, 1937. Kittie Steward, Sept. 27, 1937. Kate Williams, May 13, 1937. Alvin Burgess, June 18, 1937.

UNION HILL—Ira Young, May 5, 1937.

Mrs. Ella Young Scruggs, date not given.

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